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Statement by U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel on USDA's Approval of Haying on CRP Acres for 33 Nebraska Counties

"This is very good news for Nebraska's livestock producers, who could start haying on their CRP acres as early as this weekend. All they need to do is go to their county FSA office and sign the required form.

I'm glad that the USDA this morning approved the blanket release of these 33 counties for haying. Under the announcement from the USDA yesterday, which allowed for haying nationally, each Nebraska county previously approved for grazing would have had to resubmit their applications for haying.

The timely response from the USDA this morning is appreciated. It will provide immediate and additional relief to producers in drought-stricken areas of Nebraska."